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IN REPLY  
REFER TO:

June 21, 2000

Art Baggett  
Acting Chairman  
State Water Resources Control Board  
901 P Street  
Sacramento, CA 95831

Re: Request to Stay Phase 8 of the Bay Delta Hearings

Dear Mr. Baggett:

The United States Department of the Interior ("Interior"), on behalf of the United States Bureau of Reclamation and the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, hereby supports the State Water Contractors and the State of California Department of Water Resources' letter (dated June 21, 2000) which requests that Phase 8 of the Bay-Delta hearings be stayed to begin early next year, with exhibits and testimony in connection with Phase 8 to be submitted to the State Water Resources Control Board before the end of December 2000 or in the first week of January 2001. Thank you.

Sincerely,

David Nawi

Regional Solicitor

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Assistant Regional Solicitor